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**New Jersey State Board of
Massage and Bodywork
Therapy Examiners**

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK
THERAPY

_____	:	Administrative Action
IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE	:	
APPLICATION OF	:	
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THERESA M. ASHBURN-GRIFFIN	:	CONSENT ORDER
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TO PRACTICE MASSAGE AND	:	
BODYWORK THERAPY IN THE	:	
STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of
Massage and Bodywork Therapy ("Board") upon review of Theresa M.
Ashburn-Griffin's application for licensure as a massage and
bodywork therapist. Upon a review of the application, and the

results of the Criminal History Background Check, it was ascertained by the Board that although the applicant had indicated "N" for "no" in response to the questions relating to arrests and convictions on the application, she had been arrested on or about June 28, 1995 and charged with theft by deception. She was admitted into a diversionary program, and charges were dismissed on August 15, 2000. The applicant maintains that she did not indicate the arrest on the application because the incident had occurred long ago and the case was closed.

The Board finds that the applicant knew or should have known that by failing to disclose the arrest on the application in response to the questions about arrests and/or convictions she was providing inaccurate information, and that she therefore engaged in misrepresentation on her application in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

The Board finding that licensure as well as entry of the within order are appropriate, and sufficiently protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS 24th DAY OF April, 2013

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. A \$100.00 civil penalty is hereby imposed upon respondent for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b). Payment

shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, and shall be submitted along with this signed order.

2. The applicant's application for licensure shall be granted upon payment of all applicable fees and demonstration of satisfaction of all requirements for licensure, if she has not already done so.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF
MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

By: Deborah Overholt
Deborah Overholt
Chairperson

I have read and understand the
Within Consent Order and
agree to be bound by its terms.

Theresa M. Ashburn-Griffin
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